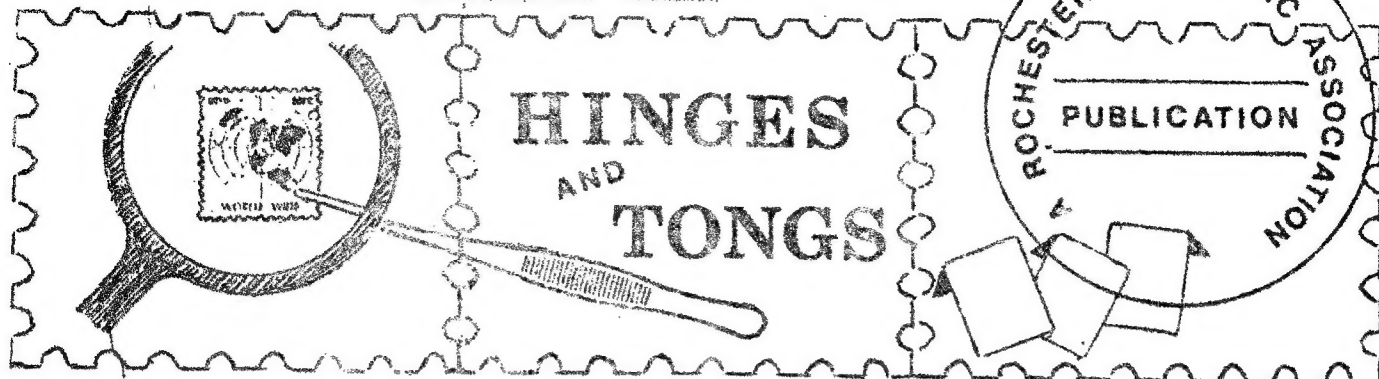


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*** EDITORIAL ***** by John Kellas

Don't forget to bring in your "Americana Stamp Design" to the Dec. Meeting for viewing. For those who need more time to finalize their "designs" the contest has been extended until the first January Meeting in 1979. Remember that your "Americana ideas" must be drawn to the scale of the present Americana stamp size. Please get involved in the Design -A-Stamp Contest!

*** DECEMBER MEETINGS *****

DEC. 14 -- Xmas Party -- Lot a FUN for everyone! The annual RPA Christmas party & New Year Celebration. The great Stamp Bingo will again be played with prizes. Members are asked to bring a \$1.00 philatelic gift for the Xmas Grab-Bag. Bring in any Stamp Designs you have ready for the big Stamp Design Contest.

Dec. 28 --- NO MEETING

RPA NOTES:

The Rochester Philatelic Ass. is proud that one of its members has won a Silver Medal at PRAGA 1978, the International Stamp Show in Czechoslovakia. Mr. Otakar Kutvirt's exhibit of Czechoslovakian stamps won a Silver Medal. Congratulations are in order.

"NEW BOOKS"

"Funk&Wagnall's Guide to the World of Stamp Collecting", by Viola Ilma. 1978. Funk & Wagnall's, 10 E. 53rd St., N.Y., N.Y. 10022 \$13.95

"Identify Your Stamps", by Ervin J. Felix. 1978. Published and available from Western Publishing Co., 1220 Mound Ave., Racine, WI 53404 \$5.95 postpaid.

"Color In Philately", by R.H. White. 1978. From Philatelic Foundation, 270 Madison Ave., N.Y., N.Y. 10016 \$39.50

New Stamp Issues

Nov. 28 - U.S., Revalued
envelope, 13¢ Liberty
Tree revalued to 15¢

C3a REACHES NEW HEIGHTS

The 24¢ inverted Curtiss Jenny biplane brought a record price of \$100,000 during a late Nov. Sotheby Parke Bernet auction. The previous record paid for the inverted airmail stamp was \$70,000 at the Nov. '77 National Postage Stamp Show.

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